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## **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO COMPETE FOR SPOT AT 2013 NATIONAL LIFESMARTS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

BISMARCK, ND – Forty high school students from eight North Dakota high schools will compete in the annual “LifeSmarts” state finals tomorrow, announced Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem. The state competition, which is in its sixteenth year, tests teens in grades 9-12 about personal finance, health and safety, the environment, technology, and consumer rights and responsibilities. The Attorney General’s Office hosts the annual event.

The competition will be held on **Wednesday February 6, 2013**, beginning at **8:30 am** and continuing for much of the day. The teams will compete in a series of elimination rounds to reach the final round, which should begin at approximately 2:45 pm. This year’s competition is being held at the **Bohn Armory** in Bismarck.

The winning state team will advance to compete in the national finals in Atlanta, Georgia, later this year. The high schools competing in the state competition are:

Burke Central, Central Cass, Jamestown (2 teams), Milnor, New England, Northern Cass, and Ray.

The Consumer Protection Division organizes and hosts the annual state competition, which is supported by the following North Dakota entities: Gate City Bank, ND Securities Education Fund, Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc., ND Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, ND National Guard, and Capital Trophy.

The public is invited to watch the competition.

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